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SEACONNESSY DEALS WITH CAR SHORTAGE

Interesting letter to Premier of Canada From President of C.P.R. While the car shortage situation was at its height last February, it was stated that the matter would be brought to the attention of the president of the House at Ottawa. In anticipation of such a step being taken, Sir Thomas Shingcliffe, president of the C.P.R. wrote Sir Wilfrid Laurier, giving a full statement of the case from the railway side. The letter is as follows:

"I saw the other day newspaper reports of a meeting of the Winnipeg board of trade, at which the railway traffic was severely criticised for their failure to furnish cars and move traffic with reasonable promptness, one member attributing the alleged shortage of cars and other facilities to the fact that the transportation companies were filling their own coffers while neglecting the country, and I believe that similar meetings were held at other points, and representations were made to the government, so that the subject is likely to receive some attention in parliament. Therefore, I feel justified in placing before you some information that may be of use in dealing with a matter of such importance to the business community, and to the transportation companies, as well.

RECOGNIZE OBLIGATIONS

"We recognize to the fullest extent the obligation imposed upon railway companies that receive from public money their charters and attendant privileges, to serve the public fairly and well, and if through any fault of their own, they fail to do this, they deserve the severest criticism. "I do not believe that there is any disposition on the part of our Canadian railway companies to deny the facts. They admit, I think, that they have been unable at times, to move all the traffic offering with a desirable degree of promptness, because of the volume of traffic, and the nature of their facilities, and that they may be properly asked: 'Why is this the case?' 'Why have you not the requisite facilities?' The shipper must depend on you, and he has good reason to forward, to your office and your duty to transport them without delay.

"In the present instance the railway companies call attention to the substantial development that has taken place in the country during the past few years, a development that has resulted not only in the expansion of the traffic to be transported, but has increased a hundredfold the difficulty about getting men to do the work necessary to enable the railways to handle it.

TWO MUCH TO DO.

"Cares and locomotives were not the only essentials. Increased operating sidings were required, and a greater number of trains could be moved over a given section much more quickly. Terminal yards, condensation shops and freight houses had to be enlarged and additional water supply to be provided. Then there was the crowded of the railway to be strengthened and improved, in order that it might be able to bear the strain of the additional tonnage that it was required to carry and a thousand and one other works were rendered necessary.

"Have our railway companies been executing these works during the past five years or have they with indifference to public convenience and for their own increased profit, been taking advantage of the great augmentation of the revenue resulting from these brick buildings conditions, without attending the necessary money to do whatever lay in their power to provide the additional rolling stock equipment and the required extension of their facilities to meet the situation.

TREMENDOUS INCREASE

"I can answer for only one railway company. At the end of the year 1901 the Canadian Pacific Railway Company had 720 locomotives and 22,478 freight cars. At the end of 1906, five years later, the company had 1,201 locomotives and 37,467 freight cars, so that in these five years, there was an increase of 472 locomotives and 14,989 freight cars or about 70 per cent in each.

"Without taking into account the fact that each locomotive and each car was of much greater capacity than that previously in service. Then with the passenger cars and other rolling stock equipment purchased and built, or in process of construction 'at the end of the year, represented an expenditure approximating \$20,000,000. During the same five years the outlay for other facilities, such as line improvements, shops, roundhouses and other works, amounted to a total of \$72,000,000, and these figures, understand, are quite exclusive of \$85,000,000 spent by the company in these same years for the construction of new railway lines to further develop the country and for other purposes to strengthen Canada's position on the Atlantic coast.

"For these latter purposes another class of security is issued, while the cost of equipment and additions and improvements was met by the sale of the company's capital stock, which realized more than its value and by appropriations from the company's cash resources.

SEVENTY-TWO MILLIONS

"So that, during these five years, in their endeavor to meet the most pressing growth of the country's business, the shareholders of this company put back into the property cash to the large amount of \$72,000,000, an average of over \$14,000,000, or about two cents for each dollar the sum that they had received during the same period in dividends on their shares.

"When one takes into account the labor, the material and the organization necessary to efficiently execute such a vast sum of money in five years, the marvel is that so much was accomplished. But more

Bad Weather in Ontario.

Toronto, May 12.—Lake Ontario was swept yesterday by one of the worst storms in years, which drove back into the harbor most boats, scattered out on the lake, kept many others in port, and caused many narrow escapes from wreck.

In fact heavy fears are felt for the safety of such vessels as were caught out on the lake and had to endure the full fury of the storm, which piled the sea-faces of the lake into huge waves that swept over the boats from bow to stern. Woodstock was utterly visited by a severe snow storm. Several inches fell the storm got in at an early hour this morning and at six o'clock was still blowing. At times the day looked more like one of December.

A Neighborhood Row.

Two men named Miller and White were brought into the city last night by the mounted police on a charge of misappropriating the funds of the Colborne School district.

Recently a case secretary of the board was appointed, and after going over the books told White that \$10 was due to the board from the school. At once the party, White and Miller had a fight with two neighbors, one of whom was prosecuted for assaulting White and the other for disturbing the peace.

Out of revenge he dug up accounts of the school accounts and said information which resulted in the arrests made yesterday.

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 - 20 Ladies' Skirts, worth \$5, sale price \$2.50.
 - 10 Men's Suits, worth \$12, for \$5.
 - 12 Suit Dicks, worth \$12, for \$7.
 - 50 Men's Fine Shirts, your choice for \$1; this is a snap.
 - 50 Men's Felt Hats, all must go at \$1.25 each.
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